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TO AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

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FOLLOWING REPEAT JIDDA 6899 SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO ADDIS
ABABA KHARTOUM OCT 09.
QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L JIDDA 6899

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO ERITREAN INSURGENTS

1. IRANIAN AMBASSADOR TOLD ME OCTOBER 8 THAT SAUDI ARABIA AND
SUDAN HAVE ESTABLISHED WITHIN LAST FEW WEEKS JOINT COORDINATING
COMMITTEE HEADQUARTERS IN KHARTOUM TO OVERSEE DISTRIBUTION OF
AID TO ERITREAN INSURGENTS. PURPOSE OF COMMITTEE IS TO KEEP
AID FROM FALLING INTO WRONG HANDS WHOM AMBASSADOR IDENTIFIED
ONLY AS LEFTISTS. HE STRESSED THAT ONLY SUDAN AND SAUDI ARABIA
WERE MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE BUT HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT SAUDI
FONMIN OFFICIAL HAD PERSONALLY HANDCARRIED MESSAGE FROM FONMIN
PRINCE SAUD TO GOK ASKING THAT KUWAITI AID BE CHanneled THROUGH
NEW COORDINATING COMMITTEE. SAUDIS HAVE MADE SAME REQUEST TO
IRANIANS. AMBASSADOR ADDED THAT OF COURSE IRANIAN AID WAS NON-
MILITARY IN NATURE.

2. COMMENT: WHILE THIS IS FIRST REPORT WE HAVE HAD OF
COORDINATING COMMITTEE, WE SUSPECT IT MAY BE TRUE. WE ASSUME
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THAT GROUP WHOSE HANDS SAUDIS AND SUDANESE DO NOT WANT AID
TO FALL INTO IS EPLF.
WEST UNQUOTE VANCE

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